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Applicant: Tirell, et al.
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RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2001 (Paper No. 8), Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in view of the present Response and remarks therein is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS

A. IN THE FIGURES:

Please insert the following amended paragraphs:

At page 4, line 29:

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--Figure 1a shows: Amino acid sequence of GCN4-p1 (SEQ ID NO: 4).--

At page 5 line 28 to page 6, line 2:

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--Figure 3b shows mobility shift assay of Leu-bZip and Tfl-bZip binding to oligonucleotides containing the AP-1 binding site (5'-GTGGAGATGACTCATCTCCGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 1), top) the CREB binding site (5'-TGGAGATGACGTCATCTCCT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 2), middle) and the nonspecific sequence (NON, 5'-GATCCCAACACGTGTTGGGATC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 3), bottom), as described in Example 6.--

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on November 12, 2001, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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